



NATIONAL HISTORIC OREGON TRAIL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

BAKER CITY, OREGON



August 2014 Calendar of Programs & Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Open Daily 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please call 541-523-1843 for further information or visit oregontrail.blm.gov					1 Mary Kaye "Spirit of the West" 10:30, 12:00 & 2:00	2 Mary Kaye "Spirit of the West" 10:30, 12:00 & 2:00
3 Ranger Talk 10:30 The Ghost of Wm. "Whiskey" Davis 12:00 & 2:00	4 Nature Stroll 9:30 Equine or Bovine 12:00 & 2:00	5 Horse Sense 10:30 Precious Memories 12:30 The Parting 2:00	6 Nature Stroll 9:30 The Parting 10:30 A Visit with Joe Meek 1:30	7 Packing for the Journey 10:30 An Evening Chat 12:30 & 2:00 Thursday Outdoor Club 1:30 – 3:00	8 Make a Journal Workshop 10:00 - 1:00 Tales of the Armstrong Nugget 11:00 Campfire Conversations 12:30-2:00	9 Leave No Trace Workshop 10:00 – 12:00 Packing for the Journey 11:00 & 1:30 A Visit with Joe Meek 2:30
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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

An “Evening” Chat: Share an “evening chat” with Interpreter Susan Kolb, recalling the highlights and hardships of one woman’s Oregon Trail experience. (20 minutes)

A Visit with Joe Meek: Ranger Jeremy Martin portrays the colorful mountain man and fur trapper Joseph Meek. Listen to some of Meek’s most infamous adventures and the occasional tall tale in his own words. (30 minutes)

Bullwhackin’ Kass: Sheryl Curtis and her oxen show the equipment and skills used by overland teamsters and draft animals to haul wagons and freight cross country in the 1800s. Next to the picnic shelter

Campfire Conversations: Join Staff Interpreter Cheri Garver at the “Blue Mountain Camp” for conversations about the Oregon Trail, the overland emigrants, Baker Valley, and the natural history of eastern Oregon.

Dr. Balthasar, Frontier Medicine Show. Interpreter Mike Follin portrays frontier snake oil salesman Dr. Balthasar; he can cure everything from a common cold to a death of two weeks standing. Experience health care in the Old West through this informative and entertaining program.

Equine or Bovine: Join Staff Interpreter Calvin Henshaw in the Leo Adler Theater as he portrays a pioneer pondering the pros & cons of different draft animals. See how he made the choice of which animal to use to power his wagon across the country. (20 minutes)

Horse Sense: Join Interpreter Calvin Henshaw as he discusses how horses’ senses and reaction have enabled the species to survive against predators throughout time. (15 min)

Journey’s End: Was it worth it? Interpreter Cheri Garver tells of the sacrifices and blessings of one wagon train on the Oregon Trail.

Historic Clothing of the Frontier Era: Historian Kay Demlow presents a lecture on historic clothing styles of the frontier era, discussing fashion for men, women, and children, the practical influence of economics and geography, social mores that influenced clothing, and how technology contributed to design and manufacture of clothing.

Mary Kaye: “Spirit of the West” Western entertainer, award winning singer and recording artist performs throughout the west, sharing songs about the people, history, culture and landscapes that define this region.

Nature Stroll: Come along for a leisurely walk outside of the Interpretive Center and learn about life on Flagstaff Hill. (45 minutes)

Packing for the Journey: Interpreter Cheri Garver presents a program based on the journals of emigrant women, who left behind family and friends to make the journey westward. (15 minutes)

“S’more Camping Fun Facts” – National S’mores Day – Learn some interesting facts about the invention of modern day camping gear and American camping traditions while enjoying the classic campfire treat. Includes a short guided tour of the “Traveling Light” exhibit, and handouts about best places to camp nearby in Eastern Oregon (But no singing of KumBaYa!)

The Ghost of William “Whiskey” Davis: Interpreter Calvin Henshaw tells this haunting narrative of hardship and loss on the Oregon Trail. (20 minutes)

The Golden Days of Mining: Park Ranger Jeremy Martin explains why people came back on the “Old Emigrant Road,” and if it is possible to still find precious metals in the hills of Baker County. (15 minutes)

The Parting: Staff Interpreter Rachael Nickens portrays a woman who journeys to Oregon with her husband and children, but must leave her sisters, childhood home, and friends behind. (20 minutes)

Tales of the Armstrong Nugget: Join local author Bob Rapp for stories of the famous “Armstrong Nugget.” (30 minutes)

We Walked: Interpreter Susan Kolb tells the story of a pioneer reminiscing on her time walking the Oregon Trail compared to her neighbor, Mary Ringo’s trip a few years later. (15 minutes)

Windows in Time: This living history drama offers a glimpse into the lives of early day homesteaders in Oregon. (15 minutes)

Activities

Dutch oven cooking class: Introduction to Dutch oven cooking: How to care for your Dutch oven, tips and techniques. This class will make Dutch Oven Sinkers (doughnuts). Pre-registration is required; please call 541-523-1582 for information and registration.

Thursday Outdoor Club: Learn about the wonders of the natural world with fun activities. All activities are geared for ages 8-12, but family and friends of all ages can join in. \$2.00 per club member, plus regular admission fee (youth 15 and under have free admission) Call 541-523-1843 for more Information. Pre-registration is appreciated.

Flagstaff Gallery

Traveling Light: 200 Years of Camping in the West

June 26 – September 8

From covered wagons and canvas tents to motorhomes and picnic tables, camping has developed from a necessary task into one of the country’s most popular recreational activities. Explore the evolution of camping from pioneer days to modern times, and what it means to society today.